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May 16, 2014

The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County of Los Angeles  
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration  
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**SCANNER PURCHASE FROM THE OVER-DETENTION  
CLASS SETTLEMENT ACCOUNT**

As you are aware, there is a remaining balance of \$3,628,000 in the Over-Detention Class Settlement Account after paying all claims in accordance with the settlement order from the case of Munique Williams, et al., vs. County of Los Angeles (County). The purpose of this letter is to update the Board on the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department's (Department) activities regarding its use of the funds to comply with the Court Order.

The Department has installed two body scanners at the Department's Inmate Reception Center (IRC), and began a 90-day pilot project utilizing the new equipment on April 21, 2014. Currently, the Department is working with the County's Auditor-Controller to obtain reimbursement of \$278,743 from the Over-Detention Class Settlement Account for the first 2 of 20 planned installations. Upon the completion of the pilot project, the Department will reassess the program and prepare for Phase 2, which includes installing scanners at the Department's Century Regional Detention Facility, Men's Central Jail, and IRC. Upon the completion of Phase 2, the Department will again reassess the needs at the remaining jail facilities and determine the deployment of the remaining scanners.

**Background**

In accordance with the settlement, the Over-Detention Class Settlement Account funds are available for expenditure on inmate programs to improve the inmate's screening

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process at the Department's IRC and within the entire County jail system, thus minimizing privacy issues that may be associated with strip searches.

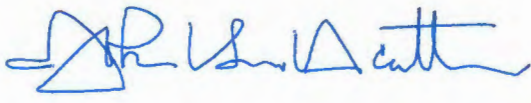
In May 2012, the Department identified body scanner equipment that can be utilized at IRC and other custody facilities as a means to better detect and prevent the unlawful smuggling of contraband into the Department's custody facilities. As instructed by the Board, County Counsel reviewed these equipment items and determined that the purchase of the equipment is in compliance with the Court Order. Since that time, the Department issued a Request For Bid under delegated authority from the Board, and signed a contract on July 15, 2013, with Smith Detection, Incorporated (Smith) for the purchase and installation of these scanners.

On December 19, 2013, two scanners were installed at the IRC Booking Front and Oldside Courtline locations. On January 28, 2014, Smith conducted training on the use of the scanners for the Department.

On February 24, 2014, the Department paid Smith \$278,743 for two installations, and is now seeking reimbursement from the County's Auditor-Controller Over-Detention Class Settlement Account.

If you have any questions, please contact Director Glen Joe, Fiscal Administration, at (323) 526-5205.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "John L. Scott", is written over a light blue rectangular background.

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